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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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for **METHODS OF IDENTIFYING ORGANISM BASED ON ITS GENOTYPE**. The application comprises a 40-page specification, including 7 claims (1 independent) and Abstract and 3 sheets of drawings.

Also accompanying this application for filing is:

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